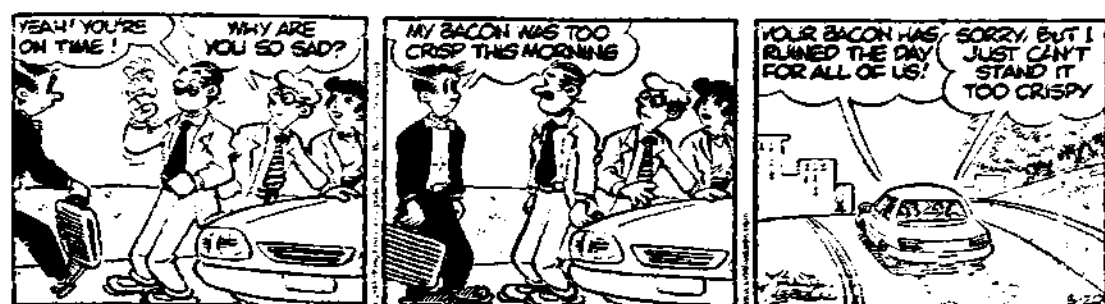


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SALLY FORTH



THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN



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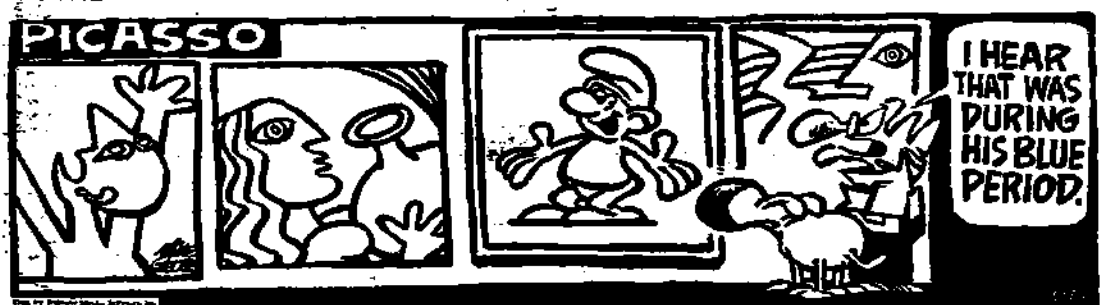
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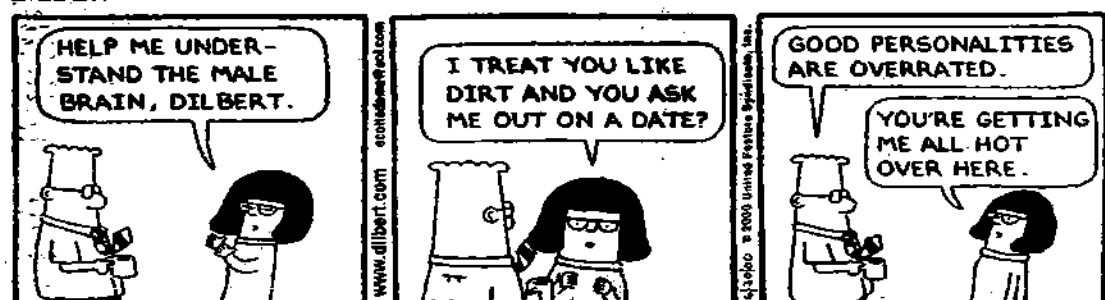
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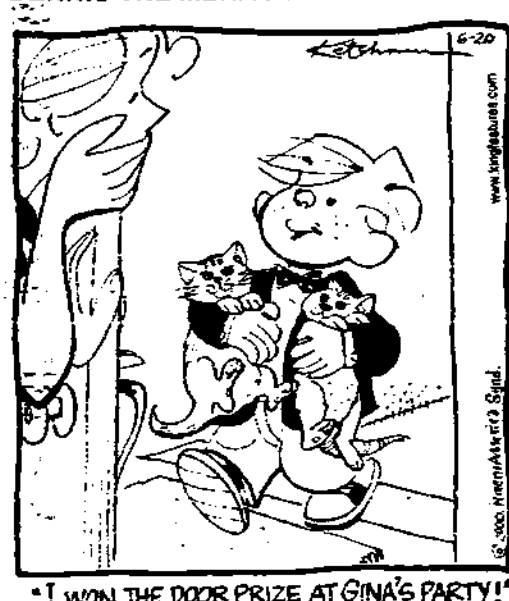
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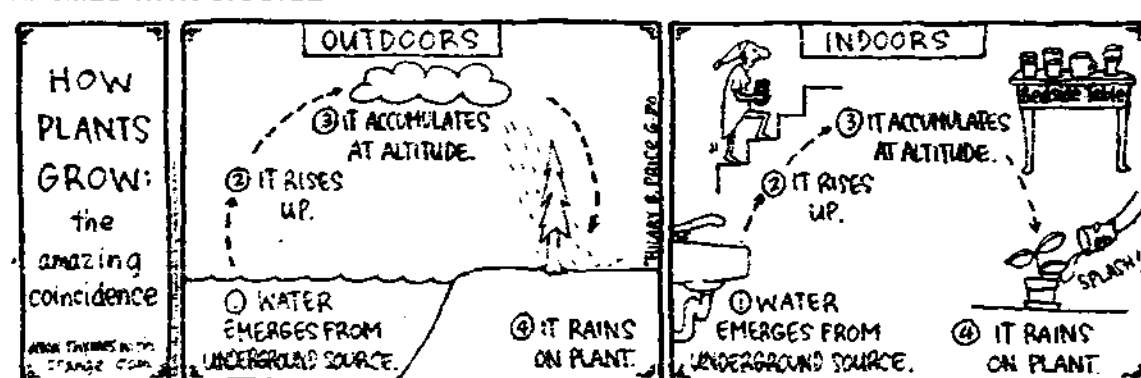
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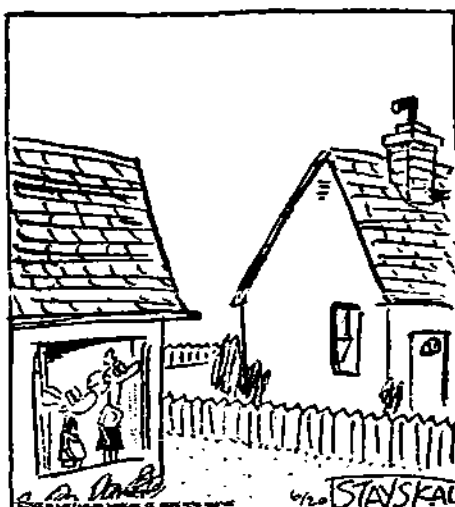
FAMILY CIRCUS



RHYMES WITH ORANGE



RALPH



Today's Birthdays

Country musician Chet Atkins is 76. Actress Olympia Dukakis is 69. Actor Martin Landau is 69. Actor James Tolkan is 69. Actor Danny Aiello is 67. R&B singer Billy Guy is 64. Actor John Mahoney is 60. Movie director Stephen Frears is 59. Singer-songwriter Brian Wilson is 58. Actor John McCook is 55. Singer Anne Murray is 55. TV personality Bob Vila is 54. Musician Andre Watts is 54.

I NEED HELP



SCRABBLE

SCRABBLE: A 15-letter word puzzle. The letters are arranged in a 5x3 grid. The letters are: S, E, D, A, Z, A, A, O, P, M, N, T, E, I, E, E, F, R, C, S, A, I, O, P, T, S, N, S.

PAR SCORE 135-145 by JUDD

FOUR RACK TOTAL TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points for each word, using scoring directions at right. 7-letter words get 50-point bonus. "Stars" used as any letter have no point value. A. Judd's words are in the Official Scrabble Players Dictionary (Merriam-Webster) and OSW Official Scrabble Words (Chambers). JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW

For solution, see Classified.

WORD SLEUTH

—BOAT

R J F C Y Y U Q L N J F C Y V
R M O T O R P E D O O L H E B
X U R O L I R E L B R S S Y V
S Q N K H E B E Y D W T W T R
O L J G E B S L F Y D E A W U
R P N K N U G A I R G A M P D
B Z X V O D R H E S Q M P O M
K I L H L E G W E C A Y W U S
W Q P I V E O N L J H F E C A
Y O X I A P E V U S Q P N M K
J H R F E S C K B Z Y X V U T

Monday's unlisted clue: OSCAR

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Tuesday's unlisted clue hint: THE VAPOR PHASE OF WATER

Ferry	Motor	River	Swamp
Gun	Paddle	Row	Torpedo
House	Patrol	Sail	Whale
Keel	Power	Speed	

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For solution, see Classified.

HOROSCOPE

For Wednesday, June 21

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your new projects are supported by someone of importance today.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Someone insists on getting on your nerves even though you've warned them numerous times.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your opinions are challenged by someone in a position of authority today.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You find yourself working with a group of people today who think quite differently than you.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) You might be clinging too tightly to someone that doesn't want to be possessed by you right now.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) Your home or office could use a redecorating job.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) You get along smashing with those around you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) The balance between your home life and career is upset today.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) You have a good opportunity to connect with new people today.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) As the moon moves through the house of Aquarius, you find yourself thinking about the future today.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) You are full of ambition as the moon moves through the house of Aquarius today.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20) You find it hard to focus today as the moon moves through the house of Aquarius.

ACES

By Bobby Wolff

Norm Rosen of Elkins Park, Pa., held the South cards, allowing him to toy with West's pesky trump queen.

Rosen ducked West's club queen and won the continuation. Playing East for spade shortness, Rosen cashed his trump ace and won a finesse to dummy's jack.

Rosen led a diamond to his ace and led his trump nine, holding the trick when West didn't cover. West's trump queen was trapped.

Rosen ruffed his last club with dummy's trump king and led a heart, capturing East's queen with his ace.

Then he led his heart jack to East's king to stymie the defense. If East led a heart for West to ruff, West would be endplayed in diamonds.

So East led a high club, which Rosen ruffed. If West overruffed, he would again have to lead away from the diamond queen. And if he didn't ruff, Rosen would lead a heart for the same result—West would win two black queens, and East would win a heart trick. An interesting deal. Against a 3-2 trump break, Rosen intended to pick up West's trump queen to score 10 easy tricks. However, when trumps were 4-1, he ruffed a loser with dummy's high trump. And with perfect timing, Rosen used his trump 10 for a diamond endplay.

NORTH

♠ K J 6 5

♥ 10 6 5 2

♦ J 7 4

♣ 6 5

WEST

♠ Q 8 7 3

♥ J 2

♦ Q 10 9 8 2

♣ Q J

EAST

♠ K Q 9 8

♥ 5 3

♦ K 10 9 8 4 3

♣ A 7 2

Vulnerable: North-South

Dealer: West

The bidding:

West North East South

Pass Pass 3♠ 4♠

J♣ Pass Pass 4♠

4♠ 4♠ 4♠ 4♠

All pass

* Choose a major

Opening lead: Club queen

N.Y. TIMES CROSSWORD

No. 0509

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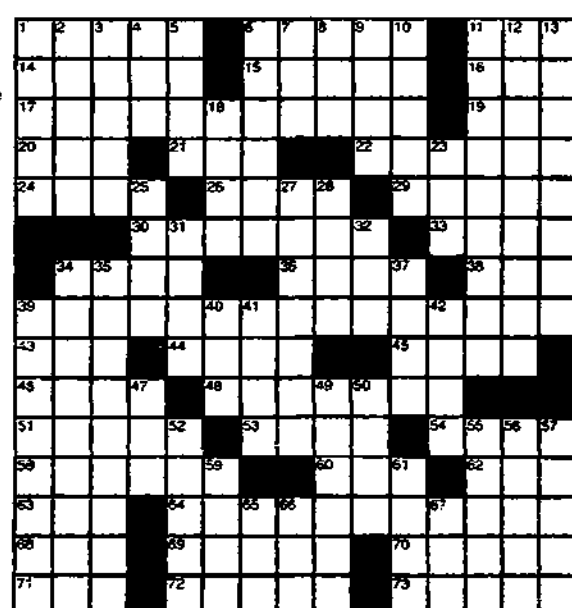
- 1 Where the Seine flows
- 8 Think hard
- 11 Highland topper
- 14 Give forth
- 15 Kind of coffee
- 16 Rocks, to a bartender
- 17 Strong effort in cleaning
- 19 Cover with graffiti, e.g.
- 20 Notch's shape
- 21 Piano player in "Casablanca"
- 22 Ebb
- 24 Bygone brand on U.S. highways
- 26 Medieval laborer
- 29 Lost color
- 30 Watering hole
- 33 Food critic Sheraton
- 34 Wading bird
- 36 It has a creamy middle
- 38 Physician's alma mater, maybe: Abbr.
- 39 Fist, so to speak
- 43 Old tele-communications giant
- 44 Margarita need
- 45 Horse's fare
- 46 Circus safety features
- 48 Garden tools
- 51 Say hi to
- 53 Swamp snapper
- 54 Colors
- 58 Bird and King
- 60 Super-long time
- 62 Part of Pic.: Abbr.
- 63 Yuletide worker
- 64 Really good one
- 68 Feel awful
- 69 Dine at home
- 70 Ireland, personified
- 71 Sunbeam
- 72 Plumb tuckered out
- 73 Quota of winks

DOWN

- 1 Toilet paper rolled the "wrong" way, e.g.
- 2 Wheel turners
- 3 Unsophisticates
- 4 Chapel vow
- 5 Uses a Singer
- 6 Not so gentle
- 7 Seam contents
- 8 Spy's org.
- 9 Subj. of a 1991 breakup
- 10 Wool-ites?
- 11 "Final Jeopardy" feature
- 12 Professors
- 13 New Hampshire town on a lake
- 18 Fun house sound
- 23 Ending with video
- 25 Suffix with psych
- 27 Nature's alarm clock
- 28 song

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

IDOL ABODE PACE
DUMA RULES LITON
SENT TRAMP ERGS
TIEDUPFORDAYS
RRS END
TATTOO VISA CPA
ALAMO BINS AHA
STRAPPEDFORCASH
TOON OREO UNITE
EST HUGO FRERES
TEN BOA
BOUNDFORGLORY
CURB ALGAE GEAR
ONCE GORKY LAWN
STAR EPEES ERNS



Puzzle by Elizabeth C. Gorski

- 50 Earth Day subj.
- 51 Babe in the woods
- 52 Furby fans
- 53 Stimulant
- 55 Vacation time for Henri
- 56 Happening
- 57 Shelter adoptee
- 58 Ginger cookie
- 61 Babe in the woods
- 65 Vacation time for Henri
- 66 A, on the Aare
- 67 U.S. Open entrant

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